

# **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

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Mr. Frank S. Bacio Mr. Vito Cannella Ms. Rita Hall Mr. John A. Hammargren Mr. Carl E. Moore

# MINUTES OF THE SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING FEBRUARY 13, 2008

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Montaño called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

#### **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Chair Montaño led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

#### Present

Chair Eleanor R. Montaño
Vice Chair Helen H. Stathatos
Frank Bacio
Vito Cannella
Rita Hall
John A. Hammargren
Carl E. Moore

#### Staff

Sandra Barbee, Commission Services Chief Janice A. Davis, Commission Services Staff Garen Khachian, Commission Services Staff Andrew Sevrin, Commission Services Staff

# **APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 6, 2008 MINUTES**

On motion of Commissioner Hammargren, seconded by Commissioner Hall, and unanimously carried, the minutes of February 6, 2008 were approved, with no changes.

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#### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Montano reported on the following three (3) articles:

- "Six Killed at City Meeting in Missouri", Los Angeles Times, February 8, 2008, regarding a gunman who disrupted a City Council meeting in Kirkwood, Missouri.
- "How To Help", Daily Breeze, February 8, 2008, regarding donations to assist the family of slain SWAT Officer Randy Simmons.
- "Helping A Child", Daily Breeze, February 8, 2008, regarding donations for a child left orphaned from the tornado on February 7, 2008 in Tennessee.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Bacio reported the current balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$974.23.

# STAFF REPORT

Ms. Janice Davis, Staff, Commission Services gave the following report:

 The Probation Department was contacted regarding transportation to Pitchess Detention Center on February 26, 2008. Staff will notify Commissioners as soon as a confirmation is received.

During the discussion Commissioner Hammargren offered to transport the Commissioners himself on February 19, 2008.

#### **INSPECTION REPORTING FORMS**

Item deferred to the next meeting.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

There were none.

# FACILITY/GROUP HOME INSPECTION REPORTS FROM FEBRUARY 6, 2008 TO FEBRUARY 12, 2008

# La Vida North - Commissioners Bacio, Hall and Moore

The facility was visited on February 7, 2008, and found to be in excellent condition.

#### Five Acres (Solita location) – 20, #3 – Commissioner Stathatos

The facility was visited on February 8, 2008, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

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# Pomona Superior Court - Commissioners Hammargren and Montaño

The facility was visited on February 8, 2008, and found to be in satisfactory condition. **Areas of Concern:** No remote switch or scanning camera in the cell port; no security in building after 6 PM.

# **West Covina Superior Court – Commissioner Hammargren and Montaño**

The facility was visited on February 11, 2008, and found to be in satisfactory condition. **Area of Concern:** Mobile cameras needed in cell port; weapons screening area needs to be moved closer to the Sheriff's office.

# Moore's Cottage – 38, #5 – Commissioners Hammargren and Montaño The facility was visited on February 12, 2008, and no one was home.

New Outlook Boy's Home – 40, #2 - Commissioners Hammargren and Montaño The facility was visited on February 12, 2008, and no one was home.

New West Technical Academy – Commissioners Bacio, Hall and Moore The facility was visited on February 12, 2008, and found to be in excellent condition.

## **NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Commission thanked Chair Montano for the wonderful Valentine's Day cake and Vice Chair Stathatos for the nice Valentine's Day presents.

#### PUBLIC COMMMENT

There were none.

# MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (To be presented and placed on a future agenda)

There were none.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Montaño adjourned the meeting at 11:40 a.m. in memory of SWAT Officer Randy Simmons, the victims of the tornado in Tennessee, and the City Council victims in Kirkwood, Missouri.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice A. Davis
Commission Services Division